

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 1, lines 5-7, as follows:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/055,900, filed on January 28, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/327,465, filed on June 8, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/840,765, filed on April 16, 1997, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Please amend page 9, lines 11-16, as follows:

~~Figure 5~~ Figures 5a and 5b. The carnitine system and membrane phospholipid reacylation reactions. Thicker arrows indicate the preferential acyl flux. The dimension of the acylcarnitine box shows the likely related pool size. Abbreviations used are: LPL, lysophospholipids; PLP, phospholipids; Cn, carnitine; acyl-Cn, acyl-carnitine; ACS, acyl-CoA synthetase; LAT, lysophospholipid acyl-CoA transferase; CPT, carnitine palmitoyltransferase.